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LETTERS

The OAHSPE Connection

I have for many years been a student of the Ageless Wisdom Teachings and wherever possible have endeavoured to correlate these teachings to the UFO phenomenon in its every aspect. It seems reasonable that once one gets beyond the "nuts and bolts" of the UFOs, there is only the mystical and psychic realm to which to turn.

One particular work which has helped me a very great deal is "Oahspe", The Kosmon Bible which gives very detailed information on the airavagnas - ships of fire - from whence they come, their reasons, their periods of visibility to mankind and so on. There is also a very telling statement in reference to the so-called phantom animals appearing world-wide outside their normal environment, how they appear real yet are unable to be captured. I'll quote the paragraph hereunder.

If you have not heard of "Oahspe", it is a very large book, the setting in the same format as the Christian Bible. It was dictated about 100 years ago to a U.S.A. citizen - a dentist by the name of John Newbrough who had to go through several years of intense study and spiritual preparation first, then over a certain period, every morning before dawn, entities from the other planes of existence took over his hands and typed the history of this planet ending with the year 2000. He was not permitted to read the manuscript until completed. The chapter on Cosmology and Prophecy is exceptionally interesting and very relevant to present day happenings. It is difficult and tedious reading and needs much time but very revealing. Abridged copies are obtainable but the one I have is an unabridged copy of the 1882 issue.

The paragraph to which I referred reads:

"Nevertheless, as a man may take a drop of water and put it in a vial, and keep it for a long time, so have I given to my exalted angels power to take the spirit of a fish, or of an animal, suddenly dead, and reclothe it with the semblance of a body, for a season; but yet it is only a subjective existence. And, even as a man letteth a stone out of his hand, and it falleth to the ground, so, when My angels let go their hands on My spiritual animals, their spirits fall into the sea of My body, and are seen no more. Even so also, but in less degree, created I the trees, the grass, the moss, and all vegetable things that grow on the face of the Earth. And I gave to My exalted angels power to take the spirit out of a tree, or a bush or a plant, and to carry it away and reclothe it with corporeal substance. But to My exalted Gods I gave power to do the same things, not with one plant only, but with whole forests and with animals and fishes and serpents. And when they do these things in atmospherea, they are called subjective heavens."(Oahspe - Book of Fragapatti, Son of Jehovih, Chap. 21, Verse 16.)

Phyllis Hall
Whangarei, New Zealand.

Thankyou for your thought-provoking letter, Mrs. Hall. I am familiar with OHASPE and its origin, but not with the details of its contents. You did not elaborate on the nature of "several years of intense study and spiritual preparation" which Newbrough underwent. This is probably an important consideration in interpreting or evaluating the contents of what he produced. There is a great deal of discussion today regarding the nature of automatic writing, some arguing that the source is merely the writer's own unconscious, while others claim it to be an external intelligence which guides the hand of the subject. Perhaps there is truth to both speculations. It is certainly significant that the sec-

tion you quoted seems to parallel reports of numerous types of phantom animals which have originated from all over the world in recent years. Sightings of Bigfoot, lake monsters and the like will be familiar to many of our readers (see next letter), and are well-documented in the literature, an excellent example of which is the recent book Alien Animals *by Janet and Colin Bord (Granada Publishing, London, 1980).*

(Mrs. Phyllis Hall has been a frequent contributor to the New Zealand publication Heralds of the New Age *Available from P.O. Box 36-063, Northcote, Auckland 9, New Zealand. She writes under the by-line of Amorifa. Ed.)* ●

Was it SASQUATCH?

You may be interested to know of the existence of what I consider to be a very good ufological review just started at Rio de Janeiro by a personal friend of mine, Mrs. Irene Granchi (pronounced Granki). I visited her there in '69 on a tour of all South America, where I have numerous friends in various countries (I lived also for 4 years in Caracas, Venezuela), and found her to be a very fine, solid type of person. Her new review, in Portuguese, is called OVNI DOCUMENTO, "revista trimestral, cada exemplar Cr$40.´´," (in Brasilian currency).... Mrs. Granchi's address is: Senhora I. Granchi, Caixa postal 12 058, E.C.T. Copacabana, 20 000 Rio de Janeiro R.J., Brasil.

About a month ago (at the beginning of April 1980), a lady I know well at Patricia Bay village, West Saanich Road, between Victoria and Sidney B. C., saw a bright white light hovering low over Patricia Bay; three of her neighbors, alerted by her, also watched it for ten minutes each night as it illuminated the whole landscape, wobbled, then noiselessly shot northwards VERY rapidly. The next morning, a man she knows nearby, was awakened by his dogs' frantic barking at 5 a.m. He got up and saw the most monstrous gorilla thing climbing up the bank from the sea, then sprinting off down the West Saanich Road unbelievably fast. No one has seen it since; but a neighbor of his saw one there about a year ago, but was afraid to report it.

Dr. P.M.H. Edwards,
Victoria, B.C., Canada.

(Dr. P.M.H. Edwards has been involved in UFO research for perhaps longer than any other Canadian, and has been a frequent contributor to Canadian UFO Report. *Ed.)* ●

Another Jackson's Point UFO

Your book, *The Missing Seven Hours* was absolutely spellbinding! I enjoyed reading it very much and found it fascinating to read about sightings in Newmarket and at Lake Simcoe, since we lived in Newmarket from approximately 1956 to 1966 and we had a cottage at Willow Beach, Lake Simcoe from approximately 1938 to 1954.

It was really interesting to see the Sedores and Nobles mentioned, as I knew some members of these families back then.

What I would really like to thank you for is answering a question that has lingered in the back of my mind from around 1942! I believe there were five of us, all around 12 - 13 years of age at the time, and we were walking back from the "Lighthouse" (a dance hall about halfway between Jackson's Point and Willow Beach). It was quite late at night, or very early in the morning, a very clear night, the stars and even the Milky Way were clearly visible. We glanced up to look at the stars, watching for "falling stars", and saw instead a huge globe, much larger in circumference than the sun, and glowing with a white light. This globe brightened up the sky all around it, but there was a beam or shaft of light descending down from it. We watched this globe for quite some time and then it seemed to diminish and then disappeared from sight. We put it down to being an airplane with its lights on, but thought it would be a strange place for a plane to be, and even stranger that it would have its lights on. At that time planes were not so plentiful that that area would have been a "corridor" for them. We then decided that it probably was a "secret weapon" owned either by "us" or "them", as the war was still on at that time. We mentioned what we had seen to our parents and they agreed that it was probably an airplane with its lights on.

However, on and off, over the years, I have often puzzled about what we saw that night and never really believed it was anything but a UFO. Now that I have read your book, I KNOW that it was a UFO!

I thought you might be interested to learn that UFOs were in the area long before 1956, around 1942 to be exact.

I do truly thank you for answering a question that has bothered me for so many years and thank you also for such an interesting book.

Mrs. M. Leprich,
Mississauga, Ontario.

I am happy you enjoyed my book, Mrs. Leprich. Your experience is one of many which occurred long before the traditional beginning of the modern UFO era, namely June 1947. Since it happened so long ago it would probably be impossible to determine what you actually did see, but the possibility exists that it was an electrostatic phenomenon of some sort.

(In a follow-up telephone conversation with Mrs. Leprich it was determined that the event took place on a warm summer evening, and that the globe appeared to be moving away from the witnesses at a steady rate until it was no longer visible. It was not clear from the letter whether the globe gradually dissipated or maintained its general form until it was no longer visible. Any suggestions? Ed.) ●

Are There SIX Dimensions?

The Lawrence Fenwick "Abduction in Toronto" article (Vol. 1:4) and your most competent postscript to the J. Squance Adamski letter, demonstrated that you have an excellent periodical. I personally prefer pseudonyms confined to letters like XYZ because it reduces the mind's tendency to involuntarily store false data on the case in the form of ficticious names.

An addendum should most certainly be made to the postscript to W. R. Benedict's parallel universe letter. This involves no disrespect for the memory of W. B. Smith, Canada's greatest UFO pioneer, who incidently in the late fifties initiated me into this most challenging enigma, but what Smith attempted in *The New Science* has been pursued much further and more successfully by the incredibly handicapped physicist Burkhard Heim. A 19-page pamphlet by Illobrand von Ludwiger is available from MUFON, 103 Oldtowne Rd., Seguin, Texas, 78155, U.S.A., and gives a brief summary of Heim's *Unified Quantum Field Theory of Matter and Gravitation.* It is about the track 1 level of Misner, Thorne, and Wheeler *Gravitation.*

Heim adds two more dimensions to 4 dimensional spacetime, to produce a symmetric metric +++---. The fifth dimension is e epsilon for Greek entelecheia, the vital agent directing life and growth. (en = in + tel = goal + techeia = to have) and allows for paranormal effects projected from other dimensions into our spacetime, and for possible hyperplane travel independent of the time dimension. Of interest to UFO aficionados, he deduces from his theory many of the paradoxical phenomena reportedly observed in association with UFOs. Examples include: magnification of humanoids as they emerge into our dimension *(Flying Saucer Review*, Vol. 25 No. 3, May-June 1979, p. 13), propulsion, manoeuvers, superultrahigh frequency electromagnetic radiation, photon emission concomitant to gravity nullification, etc. Any reader of *Journal UFO* who knows a physicist should urge him to investigate Heim's theories for their other predictions about elementary particles, quantum numbers, spinors, symmetries and cosmology.

W.K. Allan,
Kelowna, B.C., Canada.

(W. K. Allan is a life member and a former section chairman for southern Alberta of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, a member of the American Physical Society and the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and an APRO and MUFON field investigator. He has also contributed articles to UFO journals such as Flying Saucer Review *and* Canadian UFO Report. *Ed.)*

Alternative 3

Are you going to do an article on the book *Alternative 3*? I have heard the book has been banned (*UFO Review*, No. 7, page 21). Nickolas Faust comments on Gray Barker's review of *Alternative 3* in a letter to the editor of Barker's June 1979 issue.

J. Duncan,
Surrey, B.C., Canada.

We have not been able to confirm that the book has been banned in the U.S. It

is certainly freely available in Canada. There is a possibility that distribution or copyrights may be a problem for Sphere Books (the publisher) in the United States, but this has not yet been confirmed. If anyone has definite information on this we would like to hear from you.

Even though the book is classified as World Affairs/Speculation by the publisher, it originally made its appearance as a TV documentary on a special edition of England's ITV Network program Science Report. *Taken at face value by many, and prompting comments such as "I was scared out of my wits," and "It was all so real," the show resulted in jammed switchboards at both the* Daily Express *and ITV following its airing on June 20, 1977.*

When shown in Canada by the Global TV Network it created such interest that a second showing was demanded and provided, this time with a disclaimer that the show was only speculation, a disclaimer not provided for the first showing. What most people missed, however, was the date of the production, namely April 1, 1977, which was flashed along with the credits at the end of the show. If this was meant as an April Fool's joke it was not as obvious as it might have been since the program was not aired for almost three months. The book speaks of concessions which had to be made to the network in order for the program to be aired, and I suppose this might have been one such concession. Alternative 3 *makes interesting, suspenseful reading and seems to be a skillful combination of fact and fiction, although it is difficult to determine the proportion of each. If further information becomes available regarding this matter we shall definitely pass it on to our readers. Ed.* ●

Chris Rutkowski Comments On JUFO Vol.2:2

The efforts of Joe DeVincentis touch home with many of us. His involvement with Mr. H. and the V-formation of flying lights is all too typical of a researcher's diary entries. I, too, have encountered instances of frequent observations of UFOs, later to be identified as satellites and birds. One that sticks in my mind involved a woman who had repeated sightings of "Charlie Redstar", a "local" red, bobbing light that visited Carman, Manitoba over a period of several months with surprising regularity. She, too, kept a notebook of all her observations, and one UFO buff attributed over 200 sightings to her. Upon my investigation, it was immediately obvious that most of her observations were not only of satellites, but of airplanes, car headlights and the moon. However, a quick perusal of her notebook showed that a few of her sightings were truly anomalous, and it is precisely those few that ufologists must strive for when encountering such witnesses. Mr. H.'s observation of the geese in V-formation reminds me of the famous Lubbock, Texas, lights, for which there still exists some controversy. In that regard, what was the angular speed of the geese which you and Mr. H. observed? Was there further similarity between the two incidents?

Ruehl's article is quite interesting. Many have speculated on the possibility of life on the Jovian and Saturnian moons, particularly on Titan, shown to have an interesting atmosphere. It is worthy of note that if life's basic amino acids are formed on Earth by electrical discharges in the primeval atmosphere, then what might we expect to find on planetary satellites which are subject to large magnetic and electric fields set up by their parent body? Such candidates may be in the minority, I'm afraid, but the possibility exists. What may be more interesting is that planetary moons may harbour alien life from other star systems, using the moons as ready-made bases for observation. It is known, for example, that most necessary information about a planet may be obtained by radar imaging and reconnaisance from an orbiting probe (why bother with landings?). Earth's moon must afford a magnificent view with the right equipment.

In your interview with Henry McKay, you mention the Michalak case in passing. It is very true that the Canadian Government blatantly refused to give information about the case to researchers. To this day, there is a large gap in the information on hand about the incident in government files. Fortunately, some info is available, and the case has become like a jigsaw puzzle missing a few pieces: one can figure out the picture, but can't get the details.

Finally, to comment on Richard Haines' book, *Observing UFOs*, I would caution many UFO buffs from picking it up as "just another book on UFOs." Haines himself makes this clear in his prologue, and warns of his intentions to focus on "key principles" of ufology. His book is a perceptual psychologist's primer on the phenomenon of UFOs, and does it very well. Hopefully, perceptual psychologists will read it and realize that UFOs are more worthy of study.

Chris Rutkowski,
Winnipeg, Manitoba.

(Chris Rutkowski is Director of Ufology Research of Manitoba and a member of the newly formed Project UFO Canada committee.

He has written several articles for various UFO periodicals and his recent report on UFO activity in Manitoba appears on pg. 14 of this issue. Ed.) ●

Daylight Discs

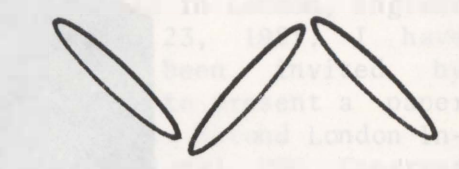
I can offer no real claim to any proof in validating my experience (but)... here it is...

On August 19, 1979 my mother and I were driving east on No. 7 highway with her at the wheel. It was a bright, sunny day, mid-afternoon, when we were proceeding up the hill which overlooks the Canadian National railway yards and various other businesses. It was upon looking toward the south-east that I saw the objects.

My first thought was that they were kites. However, (a closer look revealed), hovering over the yards and the buildings were three disc-type objects in perfect formation. They were silver, and as they tilted back and forth the sunlight would reflect from them, producing a fascinating sight.

After we crossed Keele Street I again saw them over a group of houses. My mother did not take much interest in the objects, probably due to my initial skepticism, and it was not until later that we both realized the magnitude of our sighting.

The set of three discs appeared like this...



both times they were seen, once on top of the hill, and secondly across Keele Street.

I did not report this to any newspapers, nor to any other groups. I am currently writing for a tape from a New York psychic which may shine some more light on my experience.

Concerning UFOs in general, I believe that we are dealing with mainly a psychic phenomenon (which is) maybe five percent physical.

Love your magazine; it's the best.

Robert Knight,
Thornhill, Ontario.

Thanks for your report, Robert. If you ever find yourself in a similar position again, stop the car for a closer, longer look, and obtain more witnesses. There must have been other people around on a Sunday afternoon. At least next time you won't have to contend with your initial skepticism.

I'm happy to hear you enjoy JUFO. Ed. ●

Editorial Comment

David A. Haisell



I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of all of us who help put *Journal UFO* together to wish all of our readers the best in the new year. We hope you continue to enjoy our publication as we strive to keep you updated on the latest happenings during the coming year.

Last year was a financial struggle as we just managed to break even on printing costs. Our readership neither increased nor decreased overall, and since our budget does not allow for advertising, our newsstand sales were a disaster. However, we have high hopes for the coming year, and judging from the many letters of praise from our readers, we must be doing something right. Our best advertising is your recommendation to your friends and acquaintances, and we appreciate any encouragement you might pass on to them to subscribe to *Journal UFO*.

The only complaints we have received were regarding late delivery or no delivery at all for which we can only apologize on behalf of our postal system. Many of our western Canadian readers have had to wait up to four weeks or more for delivery, and five percent never received their September issue at all. This causes much frustration on the part of those concerned, not to mention the additional expense we must undergo in order to send replacement copies. We have recently been granted second class mailing status by the post office starting with this issue, and we hope these problems will be cleared up.

On the international scene I am pleased to announce that Canada has been admitted into the Provisional International Committee for UFO Research (PICUR) which convened in Copenhagen during October 1980. Most of you will recall (see JUFO Vol. 1:3) that PICUR (then referred to as PICUFOR, but now abbreviated) was born as a result of the efforts of the BUFORA Working Party during the First London International UFO Congress in London, England in August 1979. Other member countries include the United Kingdom, the U.S., France, Sweden, Denmark, Spain and Italy. PICUR is to publish a communication medium entitled *UFO International*.

Canadian UFO researchers will participate in PICUR by interfacing with the newly formed Project UFO Canada (Project UFOCAN). Throughout the last year I have been in communication with all known Canadian groups and researchers regarding the formation of a body to represent Canadian Ufology and to interface with PICUR. The response has been less than encouraging indicating the apparent lack of interest and/or facility on the part of Canadian groups to participate in serious UFO research. However, there were enough positive replies to justify the formation of Project UFOCAN.

The founding members of Project UFOCAN consist of John Musgrave from Edmonton, Ufology Research of Manitoba represented by Chris Rutkowski, Cambridge UFO Research Group represented by Bonnie Wheeler, Stratford UFO Research Team represented by Pat De la franier, and U. P. Investigations Research Inc., represented by yours truly who will also serve as Provisional Chairman for the time being. Project UFOCAN was officially formed on Oct. 1, 1980.

In serving as an interface between Canadian and international UFO research Project UFOCAN will ensure that input from participating Canadian groups and individual researchers is conveyed to PICUR in regard to i) establishing standards for an international minimum UFO database, and for the format and procedures necessary in order to maintain this data-base, and to retrieve information from it, and ii) establishing standardized training methods and techniques for field investigation and report preparation.

Project UFOCAN, through its members, will also ensure that information about Canadian UFO events is coordinated and recorded in such a way as is to be determined by PICUR for entry into the international data-base, once it is established. It will also ensure that all standards agreed upon by PICUR regarding international cooperation are conveyed to participating groups and individual researchers.

Journal UFO is offering to Project UFOCAN to serve as its official communication medium.

I shall be representing Project UFOCAN, and thus Canadian UFO research, at the next PICUR meeting to be held in London, England on May 23, 1981. I have also been invited by BUFORA to present a paper at their Second London International UFO Congress on May 24 and 25, and shall be speaking on *Canadian Ufology: Past, Present and Future*.

I have also been honoured with an invitation to address the British House of Lords UFO Study Group while in London, and I hope to finalize arrangements for that address in the near future.

Continuing on the international scene, *Journal UFO* has recently acquired a correspondent in Poland, Marek S. Iwaniec, whose first communique can be found in this issue's *JUFOBITS*.

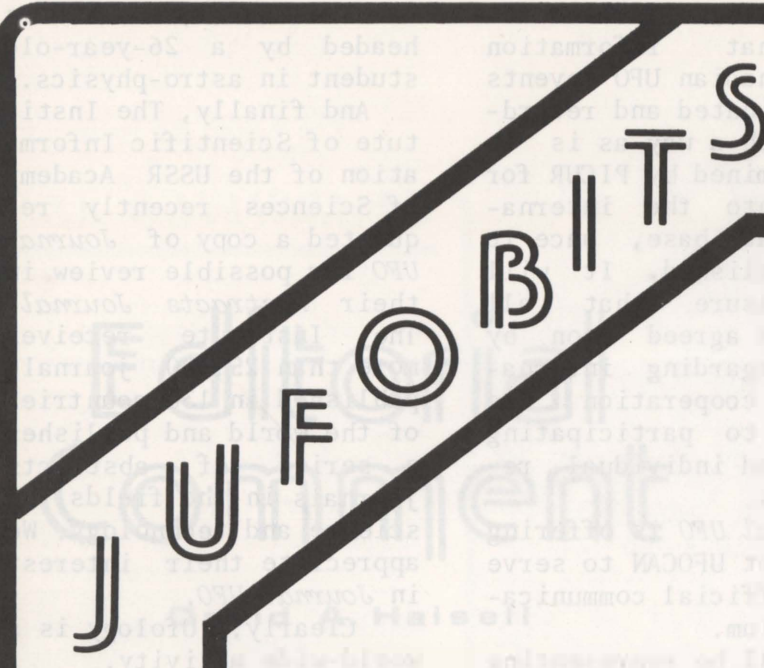
Red China has recently organized its first academic society to investigate UFOs. Consisting of some 300 Ufologists from various fields including students, teachers, journalists, doctors and researchers, the society is headquartered in Wahan in central China, and is headed by a 26-year-old student in astro-physics.

And finally, The Institute of Scientific Information of the USSR Academy of Sciences recently requested a copy of *Journal UFO* for possible review in their *Abstracts Journal*. The Institute receives more than 25,000 journals published in 130 countries of the world and publishes a series of abstracts journals in the fields of science and technology. We appreciate their interest in *Journal UFO*.

Clearly, Ufology is a world-wide activity.

Journal UFO has recently lost the services of its consultant in soil analysis, John McCarrick, and would appreciate hearing from anyone in southern Ontario who could take over in this area. There have not been many alleged landing-trace cases upon which we have been called to investigate recently, but we do have one possible UFO incident on Manitoulin Island from which we have obtained soil samples which are awaiting analysis. If you have the facilities for inorganic and/or organic analysis of soil and/or vegetation, or know of any such facility which could volunteer such a service, we would greatly appreciate hearing from you.

In closing, I would like to thank all our writers, correspondents, investigators and consultants who have helped to make *Journal UFO* a reality during the past year. Finally, a special thanks goes to my wife Paula, and our office and library clerk, Jany Piasky, without whom U.P. Investigations Research Inc. could not operate. ●



A collection of short reports on UFO sightings, books, periodicals, conferences, etc.

Report From Poland

by Marek S. Iwaniec

In May, 1978, Mr. Jan Wolski, a farmer from the village of Emilicin in southeast Poland, experienced a strange encounter with beings allegedly from a UFO.

Mr. Wolski claims to have met two strange creatures in a forest near the village. The creatures, described by Wolski as having green faces, took him into a strange object that hung motionless about four meters above the ground. According to the witness, the creatures were of human form, about one and a half meters tall, and wore black overalls, without buttons or zippers, that fitted them like a glove. Their eyes were slanted, and their hands, also green, had a kind of webbing between the fingers.

The witness said the creatures talked to one another, but he was unable to understand their speech. He described it as a kind of continuous "tu-tu-tu-tu-..." They first approached Wolski's cart in the forest and got in, as if they wanted him to give them a lift. They soon came upon the UFO in a small glade, and a small lift was let down from the object. A second after climbing into the lift they were inside the UFO.

The walls, floor and ceiling were black, with an appearance like bakelite. There were no switches or indicators, and no trace of a control system. The only furnishings consisted of ten or so small benches standing by the walls. A few ravens or rooks were on the floor but showed no inclination to escape, even though the door was open.

There were two more beings inside having the same appearance as the first two. One of them was eating something resembling an icicle. Using gestures, they indicated to Wolski to take off his clothes, which he did. One of them then took a device which looked like two unconnected dishes and brought them together in front of Wolski. After repeating this a few times they bade him go, and he went home.

When this encounter took place, the movie *Close Encounters of the Third Kind* had not yet been released in Poland. Mr. Wolski is an old man of about seventy who does not like TV, nor does he go to the movies. Furthermore, up to that time, Polish papers and magazines did not print such precise descriptions of UFO encounters, so Mr. Wolski could not have read about them.

He was asked to repeat his story several times and was always so precise that it is doubtful that it was a product of his imagination. As a result, researchers felt obliged to investigate the case thoroughly and an 85-page report was eventually produced. The information which follows comes from the Polish weekly *KULTURA*, November 5, 1980.

Investigators involved in the case were Mr. Zbigniew Blania of BUFORA, Ryszard Kietlinski D.Sc., of the Department of Psychology, University of Lodz and several others from the fields of psychology, biology and medicine. Some of the tests which Wolski had to undergo included a theme aperception test, an IQ test in Wechsler's scale for adults, the Ishivara Colour Perception test, psychogalvanometric measurement of psychic tension, neurological, opthalmological and other clinical tests.

The conclusion of the investigators was stated as follows: "The witness, Mr. Wolski, is absolutely unable to interpret his adventure in a ufological or cosmic sense. He is of the opinion that the creatures he met were human beings of another race. He claims they were very polite and very subtle, and interpreted the unpleasantly appearing grimaces on their faces, as he stood naked in front of them, as smiles."

Even though he suggested an Earthly origin for the creatures, Wolski at the same time admitted their green faces and hands, and their way of walking, to be strange. He also wondered how they could understand one another since they communicated so rapidly with such short sounds. He also couldn't understand how they put their clothes on without buttons or zippers. As far as the object itself is concerned, Wolski referred to it as a "carriage" or "bus", and never used the terms "UFO" or "flying saucer." He described it as looking like a barn.

The following excerpts from the 85 page report on this case were published in *KULTURA*.

WITNESS' MEMORY: It is much easier for him to remember what he feels with his senses than any verbal material. His so-called "fresh memory" is weakened to a great degree after a few minutes, since he was unable to repeat a simple story that was presented to him earlier. According to Blania, this makes it doubtful that the adventure was invented by the witness, or was programmed into him by any other person.

INTELLIGENCE: In the IQ test Wolski placed on the lower part of the Wechsler scale. As a result of the resemblance test it was stated that the witness showed disorder in abstract processes and in using general ideas, which again speaks against the witness inventing the adventure.

SUGGESTION: It was stated that Mr. Wolski possessed very high resistance to suggestion, both of a verbal and situational nature. The results of the aperception test showed that he possessed no confabulating abilities, and was not able to construct even the most primitive fiction story. Furthermore, Mr. Wolski never lies and is unable to repeat any untrue information.

For example, he refused to repeat the sentence "that man is a woman." He is of the Catholic faith, and goes to church regularly. He also signed a statement in the form of an oath prepared for him by a priest to the effect that he, Mr. Wolski, does not lie.

Finally, there were no fluctuations in galvanometric voltage measurement taken of Mr. Wolski during the relating of his encounter.

CONCLUSION: All of the above facts are strong support for the occurrence of a close encounter of the third kind in Poland during May of 1978.

(A visit from Magonia? Ed.)

Andreasson Update

Your editor recently had the opportunity of meeting and talking with Betty Andreasson and Bob Luca whose experiences were documented by Raymond Fowler in *The Andreasson Affair* (Prentice-Hall, 1979).

Betty and Bob have been experiencing on-going events since the book was published. In particular, strange black helicopters have been appearing over their house on a continual basis. Bob has taken many photographs revealing the details of these unmarked craft. Initially he had the films professionally processed, but due to several film "disappearances", he decided to process them himself. In some cases, the helicopters appear to buzz him so closely that he could have hit them with a baseball. In one incident the local airport admitted the landing of one, claiming it was an airforce chopper (unmarked) but the airforce denied this. He has a letter of apology regarding one incident, from the helicopter manufacturer.

Bob has been, and still is, undergoing regressive hypnosis, regarding his UFO abduction, the details of which will be reported in Ray Fowler's next book.

Betty, on the other hand, is continuing to experience "messages" from the beings - usually in the form of automatic writing; the same is true of her daughter Becky. Apparently, messages were what initially inspired her to seek Dr. Hynek's help in the case.

Attempts have been made, and continue to be made, by a linguist to identify the strange dialect or tongue in which Betty spoke during one of her experiences.

Also, attempts have been made to find scar tissue in her nose which could have been caused by the small round object the beings allegedly extracted during her experience. X-rays revealed nothing, as was expected. She has refused the complicated and painful dye injection method, but is willing to undergo sonic examination if it can be arranged.

Markdale - Unidentified

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On the night of September 6, 1980, a UFO was observed by a woman and her mother near their property about 50 miles north of Mississauga, Ontario. The woman, Mrs. Repp of Toronto, was trying to get to sleep on this dark, very quiet Saturday night. She was lying on a couch-bed in the kitchen, looking across the room and out through the window at the many stars visible that evening.

As she watched she was surprised to see a large, bright, oval-shaped light about half the size of the moon appearing between the trees a little above the horizon. Because of its strange appearance she went to the window for a closer look. Still not able to identify it, she became frightened and called her twelve-year-old daughter, Linda, who was sleeping in the next room. Sensing the fear in her mother's voice, Linda refused to come out. She then awoke her mother who came to the window and confirmed what Mrs. Repp was seeing.

Together, they watched the object move to the left a little, then move up and down, and then to the right, returning to its original position. It repeated these manoeuvers three or four times, giving the women the opportunity to get a good look at whatever it was.

It appeared as a bright, yellowish-white, oval-shaped light with its long axis horizontal. Surrounding it was a yellowish-green glow. Several yellow, green and red flashing lights seemed to be attached to its surface. When it moved sideways, it moved quite quickly and traversed a distance of three to four degrees. The vertical movement was not as great, but was nevertheless quite distinct as it appeared sometimes above and sometimes below the tops of the nearby trees.

The other distinguishing characteristic of the sighting was a gentle sound, similar to a swarm of bees. Otherwise, the night was quite silent. There was no wind, not even a slight breeze, and the witnesses cannot remember hearing any crickets - unusual for that part of the country. Mrs. Repp cannot remember whether the swarm sound was continuous throughout the sighting, or just occurred when the object moved.

Mrs. Repp's mother was not at all frightened by the object, and when asked by Mrs. Repp whether she thought it was a UFO she replied "So, if it is, let them come down." And then she returned to bed and fell asleep. At this time the object was still visible, but almost immediately it descended out of sight below the trees. Mrs. Repp opened the door of the nearby fridge and, using the light, saw the time was then 11:15 p.m. Upon seeing the light of the fridge her daughter felt courageous enough to come out from her bedroom, but the object did not re-appear.

The Repp's property is about eight miles east of Markdale, Ontario. The area is rural and consists of mainly farms and bush. There are no airports in the vicinity.

The *ROCKY MOUNTAIN* Conference on UFO Investigation

This conference, coordinated by Dr. R. Leo Sprinkle, PhD., Director of Counseling and Testing at the University of Wyoming, was held on May 23, 24 and 25, 1980 at the School of Extended Studies, University of Wyoming in Laramie, Wyoming, U.S.A. One of the most significant objectives of the conference was to help in the search for patterns of UFO encounters and communications. Since it brought together many alleged UFO abductees and contactees it also provided an opportunity, in Dr. Sprinkle's words, for *"the "real" UFO experts* (to) *describe their "investigations"."*

Dr. Sprinkle commended the participants for their development *"beyond the initial stages which characterize UFO observers: fear, anxiety, doubt, worry, and an unwillingness to describe their UFO experiences. You have developed into a higher social stage: fear, anxiety, doubt, worry, but a willingness to describe your UFO experiences!"*

Dr. Sprinkle felt the conference was successful *"according to immediate criteria"* and *"there was a sincere attempt to search for patterns of UFO experiences, although we all recognize that our sample of cases is small, and that the ABC's of UFO phenomena (Absurdity, Bizarreness, Confusion) prevent an easy integration of all aspects of UFO encounters."*

The proceedings of the conference include statements and/or letters by fifteen UFO abductees/contactees, and are available from Dr. Sprinkle at a cost of $4.00 U.S., and may be obtained by writing to him at Box 3708, University of Wyoming, Laramie, WY. 82071, U.S.A. This 133-page publication (from which the foregoing quotations were taken) also includes a re-

vised version of the text of Dr. Sprinkle's address to the 1980 MUFON UFO Symposium (Houston, Texas, June 7, 1980) entitled *UFO Contactees: Captive Collaborators or Cosmic Citizens?*

During the past two decades Dr. Sprinkle has done much toward furthering our understanding of the abductee/contactee aspect of Ufology, and even more important, in helping those who have experienced these encounters to cope with their experiences and with the many changes in their lives they often induce.

He concludes the proceedings of the Rocky Mountain Conference with a sincere hope that the statements included *"will provide encouragement for other UFO abductees and contactees to come forward and share their experiences. Perhaps a pattern of information can emerge which will help us to learn, to understand, and to accept, the significance and meaning of the UFO experience in the lives of UFO contactees. If so, then we shall face the bothersome question of whether the experience of the UFO contactee is a prelude to the educational, moral, social and spiritual rejuvenation of Humankind. Would it not be ironic if our fears were well-founded: that UFO phenomena represent some horrible happening in our lives? And, most terrifying of all, the possibility that each Earthling must face an alarming lesson: neither the prospect of being food on someone's table, nor canon fodder for someone's war, but the agonizing change and development into a better person?"*

Recommended reading for all serious researchers.

1981 Conferences

UFOs in Contemporary Folklore

This conference is scheduled for March 21, 1981 at California State University. Topics to be discussed include UFO mythology, Jungian psychology, and hypnosis in UFO research. For details regarding submission of papers contact the coordinator, Dr. Alvin Lawson at the Department of English, California State University, 1250 Flower Blvd., Long Beach, California, U.S.A.

2nd London International UFO Congress

The British UFO Research Association is hosting their second such international congress on May 24 and 25, 1981, the first of which was held in August 1979 as reported in JUFO, Vol. 1:3. The second congress will be held at the Mount Royal Hotel, Marble Arch, London, as was the first.

Your editor has accepted an invitation to present a paper at the Congress, the subject of which will be *Ufology in Canada: Past, Present and Future*. Others expected to present papers include Dr. Bruce S. Maccabee from the U.S., Dr. Alain Esterle from France, Señor Jose Antonio Campana from Spain and Mr. Charles Bowen (Editor of *Flying Saucer Review*) from the U.K.

Researchers from Sweden, Germany, Denmark, The Netherlands and other countries have also been invited to participate, and Dr. J. Allen Hynek of the Center for UFO Studies in Evanston, Illinois, U.S.A. is also expected to attend. This will indeed be a truly international Congress.

Also to be included in the Congress will be a report updating the work of the Provisional International Committee on UFO Research (PICUR) following a second session in Copenhagen during October 1980, and a third anticipated session, prior to the Congress, on May 23. The first and inaugural session was held during the first Congress in August 1979. Canada will again be represented on PICUR by your editor, now provisional chairman of Project UFO Canada. (See this issue's editorial.)

The June issue of *Journal UFO* will probably be delayed in order to present a full report on the Congress. For further details write BUFORA c/o Miss Betty Wood, 6 Cairn Avenue, London, W5 5HX, England, U.K.

APRO Symposium

The Aerial Phenomena Research Organization is sponsoring a three-day symposium on the theme *"Are We Alone in the Universe?"* to be held in Cleveland, Ohio on June 12, 13 and 14, 1981. Tentative speakers include Dr. Leo Sprinkle, Stanton T. Friedman and others. For further details write APRO at 3910 East Kleindale Road, Tucson, Arizona, 85712 U.S.A.

Annual MUFON Symposium

The annual Mutual UFO Network Symposium will be held this year at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge (Boston), Mass., on July 24, 25 and 26. Further details on this event (usually an outstanding one) may be obtained from MUFON at 103 Oldtowne Road, Seguin, Texas, 78155 U.S.A.

Note for Canadian readers: The 1982 MUFON Symposium will be held in Toronto, Ontario! See you there.

From Turkey: UFOs and Light

Through the courtesy of Selman Gerceksever, editor of the Turkish publication *Planet*, we have been made aware of the work of M. Muzaffer Suar on the nature of light, gravity and UFOs. Suar has published the results of his 26 years of research in a book entitled *Visible Light*. It concerns what Suar refers to as "the creative factor of gravity and limitless source of energy." The book is published and printed in Turkey, but is written in English. Unfortunately, it deals at times with several complex scientific concepts which are made even more dificult to understand by what are probably literal translations of Turkish expressions into English. Some, such as "the other face of the medallion" are simple to interpret, but others, on which an understanding of the material critically depends, are not. However, for a scientist well-versed in the material discussed by Suar, this may not present much of a problem.

Topics discussed in the book include the general system of matter, the structure of matter, the nature of light, photosynthesis, plant respiration and the effects and usage of the mattery(?) nucleus of infrastructures.

One may well ask what this has to do with UFOs. This soon becomes obvious as Suar leads the reader through a study of the basic ingredients of matter itself, and demonstrates that light and gravity are really complements. Consequently, every astronomical body which is a source of visible light nucleae will be surrounded by an "evacuated field" and, as a counteraction, will have a "deceptive" attractive force (a field pressure toward itself) or gravitic effect on other matter within its proximity.

His theory explains the complex process of photosynthesis and plant respiration which he goes to great length to demonstrate, and eventually leads into a discussion of six groups of emanations from our planet. These are geophysical, meteorological, electrical and magnetic, biological, and a sixth category which could be entitled mystical. A wide variety of previously unexplained phenomena ranging from the effects of postulated vortices, speculated by some as being responsible for reported events in the Bermuda Triangle, to pyramid energy may now be explainable according to Suar.

He concludes with a section on gravitic flight which he suggests is the method by which UFOs are able to both hover, and traverse the vast distances of inter-solar space at fantastic speeds.

This fascinating book is available from M. Muzaffer Suar at:

ATAKOY - 2. KISIM, H. 3 BLOK,
KAPI 14. DAIRE 17
ISTANBUL, TURKEY.

The cost is $8.00 U.S. Be prepared for some heavy reading. Also, you should have a knowledge of physics and chemistry in order to understand the material. ●

RED (& WHITE) LIGHTS ON THE PRAIRIES

by CHRIS RUTKOWSKI

An analysis of Manitoba UFO reports in the files of "UFO Research of Manitoba"

Recently, a computer listing of Manitoba UFO cases was completed, enabling some preliminary data analyses. 272 cases were listed, gleaned from both available case files and published sources. The listing was set up in similar form to other such computer catalogs (e.g. Saunders' UFOCAT), though making use of somewhat different parameters and restrictions. Data were sorted by year, month, hour, location, type, conclusions, number of witnesses, color, shape, and estimated size of the objects reported.

The year with the largest number of reports available for the study was 1975, having 46 cases. The monthly breakdown for that year is given in table 1. The next highest level of UFO reports was in 1967, when 41 reports

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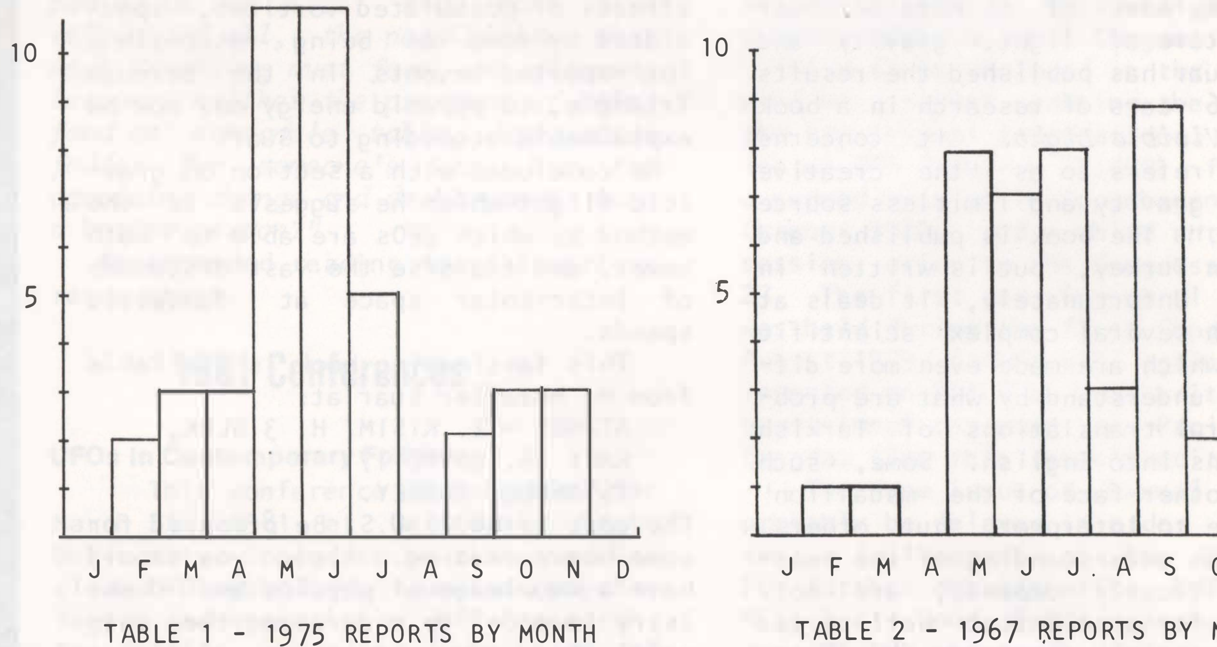


TABLE 1 - 1975 REPORTS BY MONTH

TABLE 2 - 1967 REPORTS BY MONTH

Figure 1
Reported Shapes

disc
round
cigar
oval
square
flask
bowl
bell
triangle
crescent
spindle
cone
football
cross
irregular

TABLE 3 - TOTAL NUMBER OF REPORTS PER YEAR

1950
1960
1970
1980
10
20
30
40
50

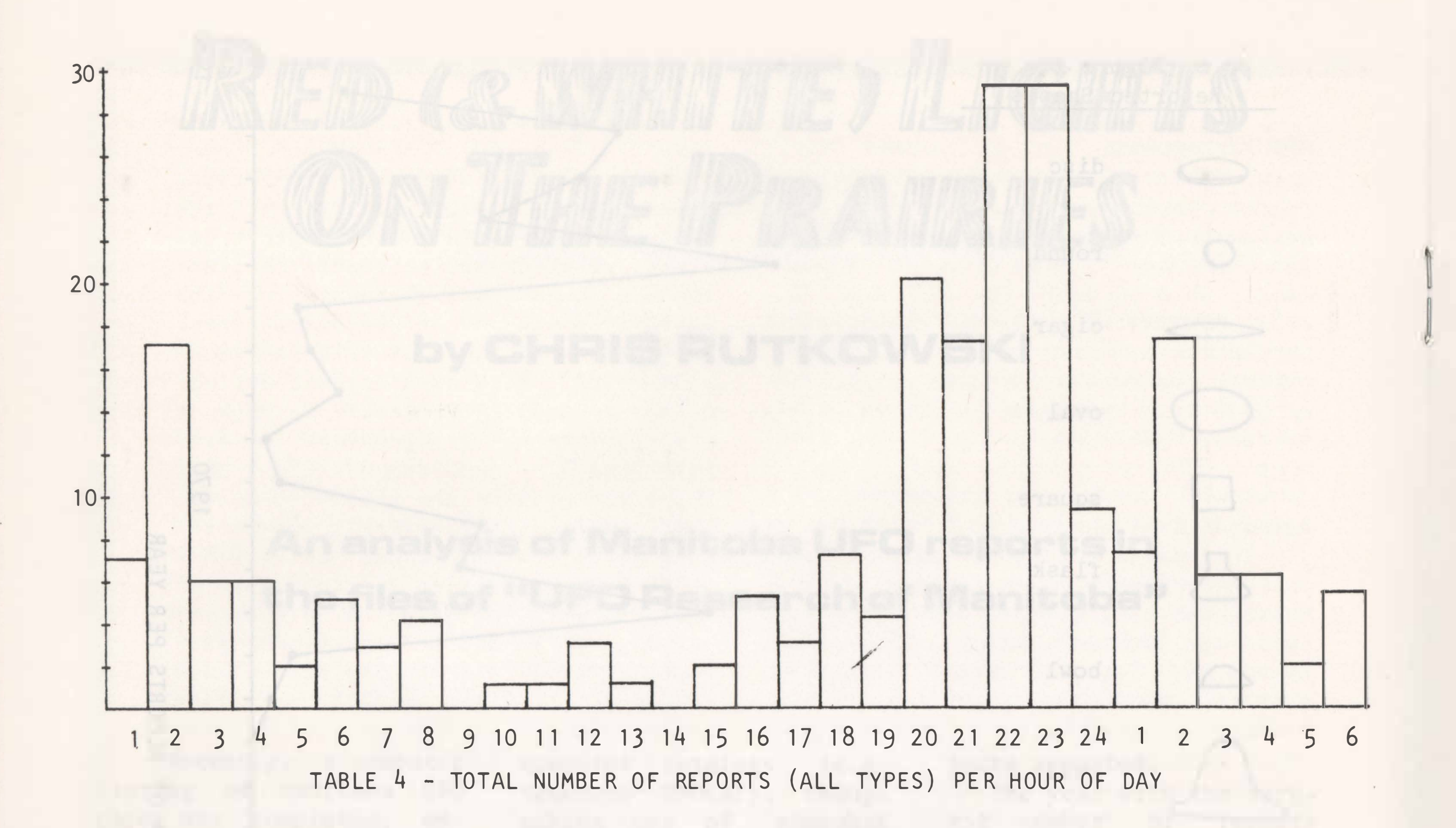


TABLE 4 - TOTAL NUMBER OF REPORTS (ALL TYPES) PER HOUR OF DAY

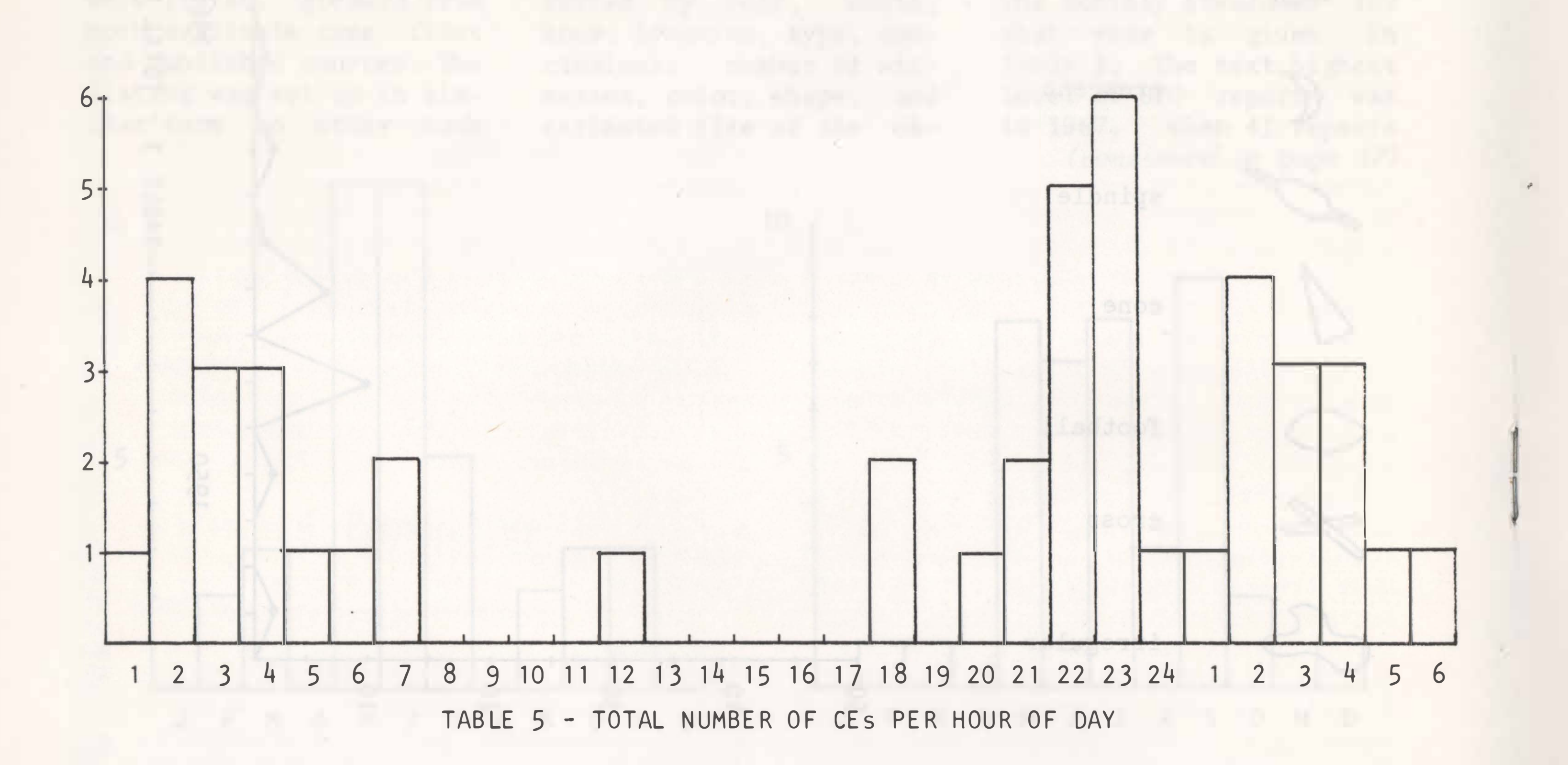


TABLE 5 - TOTAL NUMBER OF CEs PER HOUR OF DAY

were recorded. The monthly breakdown for that year is given in table 2. These two years correspond to the two major investigation periods in the province, namely, when the Canadian Aerial Phenomena Research Organization (CAPRO) was established in Winnipeg in 1967, and the formation of the Manitoba Centre for UFO Studies (MCUFOS) as a working unit with Ufology Research at the University of Manitoba (UFORUM) in 1975. These, in turn, grew to become MCUFOS and Ufology Research of Manitoba (UFOROM). A sudden sharp increase in active investigations may have been somewhat responsible for these peaks. However, these two years were also definite flap years, and display the typical sharp increase and slow decay of the flap phenomenon. Note that this could also have been the case for 1952, when Manitoba had its first wave of sightings. The year-to-year breakdown is given in table 3.

Although 1952 may have been a flap, the reports appeared to be confined to only a one-month period, not displaying any other significant characteristics. However, since there was no active investigating unit at the time, the true form of the wave cannot be accurately determined at this late date without further extensive research.

The 1967 flap seemed to arise in May of that year, when the noted Michalak case received widespread media attention. Reports continued through several months after that point. 1975 saw the "Charlie Redstar" series of reports from Carman, Manitoba, suddenly burst onto the scene, also in the month of May. Though there were earlier reports that year, most did not come to light until that month. Again, media coverage may have been responsible for the size of the flap.

The hourly trend for reports is given in table 4. The trend for all cases is easily visible, and appears to indicate that most sightings occur between 10 p.m. and midnight (58 reports, or 21.3%). There is also a suggestion of a second peak, between 2 and 3 a.m. (17 reports, or 6.25%). This finding compares with other studies (e.g. Hynek & Vallee, 1975) of number/hour relationships. Leading up to the late evening peak is an increase of reports beginning at about 7 p.m., actually reaching a higher level than the early morning peak. However, the 2-hour gap between the two peaks makes the early morning peak seem more unusual.

Table 4 is based on the total number of cases on file. The same breakdown was performed on the set of close encounters only. Interestingly, the contours of the CE graph and the "all-types" graph are very similar, showing both major peaks (table 5). The "all-types" results are based on 181 cases, as 91 cases did not specify an hour of the day (33.45% of the total). The CE graph is based on 34 cases, as 9 did not specify an hour (26.25%).

The location breakdown of the 272 cases was interesting in that it did not exactly conform to a population-related form. It was theorized that there would be a correspondence between population density and report density, since a larger number of potential witnesses would suggest that there might be more sightings actually reported. 272 cases occurred in 114 different locations, "locations" being defined as population centres. The location of "Winnipeg" was assigned to reports which cited suburbs of the city such as Charleswood, Tuxedo, Transcona and St. Vital. However, note that a proper analysis would be based on actual population density, and not an association with towns and cities. A division of Manitoba into small squares of equal areas might be used in this sense.

A list of locations where 5 or more cases were reported is given in table 6. Winnipeg, of course, has had the largest number of reported cases, 74, representing 27.2% of the total number on file. The next-largest city in the province is Brandon, but it does not even appear on the list, having only 4 reported cases. Carman, a town of only a few thousand people, had 18 reports, being 6.6% of the total. (Even this number is small compared to the figures often cited for the Carman area during the 1975-76 flap, when "Charlie Redstar" was buzzing

TABLE 6

POPULATION CENTRES WITH FIVE OR MORE REPORTS

Winnipeg	74
Carman	18
Beausejour	7
Sundown	7
Dauphin	5
Haywood	5
Portage la Prairie	5

skywatchers camped out in fields. During that period, "hundreds" of sightings were reportedly made in the area, many of which, unfortunately, could not be confirmed. It was supposedly common for some individuals to claim to see "him" as much as ten times in a night. However, as these incidents were not usually reported to an investigating agency, and were often in the form of rumors, they are not on file. This flap is still very much under investigation.)

Dauphin and Portage la Prairie are small cities, so they may indeed be part of the population relationship. Teulon, Haywood, and Sundown, on the other hand, are very small, the latter two being only small villages (pop.<200).

Based on the file, one could conclude that the population relationship does not hold in the province. However, one must be careful, since there are marked differences in the investigating mechanisms as one leaves the city of Winnipeg. The investigating capabilities of the Manitoba groups deteriorate rapidly after a distance of radius 75 miles from the city. A report, then, at Carman, only 45 miles from Winnipeg, would receive prompt attention, while a case at Flin Flon, over 500 miles distant, may not be investigated for weeks, if at all. The reports from outside the radius would typically reach the UFO groups by the mail or through the media. The flap in Sundown was a media-spurred investigation, for example. Also, witnesses in outlying areas may not know whom to contact about their experience. Although the existence of groups in Winnipeg has been publicized, the circulation of this information has been very limited. It is suspected that "digging" for cases in remote areas of the province would uncover many reports. Such efforts have previously been fruitful. There is no doubt that a larger, province-wide organization might provide an input of many more reports. Steps are being undertaken to attempt this.

TABLE 7

NUMBER OF REPORTS PER TYPE

NL	124
ND(nocturnal disk)	25
DD	28
Radar	1
CE1	26
CE11	15
CE111	2
Trace only	7
Photo only	3
Entity only	3
Unspecified	38

At the present time, although there is a definite bias toward reports in and around Winnipeg, the sample of cases on file may be considered as being fairly representative of reports in the province, at least to a moderate degree.

For the breakdown in type of report, the statistics are given in table 7. It will be noted that a "new" category of "ND" has been used for the study, if only for clarity and convenience. "Nocturnal Disc" is used to denote an object seen at night that is at a distance, yet presents a definite shape to the eye. Previously, such objects were classified into the nocturnal light (NL) category, which would omit a possibly important bit of information. Again, this is not convention, but convenience, and the category may be added to the NL category if the reader wishes to do so.

As is usual for such a breakdown, the largest number of cases were of the NL type (53%), followed by daylight discs (12%), CE1s (11%) and NDs (10.7%). 38 reports did not specify a type or were vague in their description (14% of the total). It is interesting to note that entities were reported in five cases.

Table 8 shows the overall month-to-month breakdown of all cases, based on 260 reports where a month was specified. 11.4% of all reports occurred in June, while both May and September had 11% each. Curiously, there appears to be a slump in the numbers of reports in mid-summer. While this effect is also seen in winter, the winter slump can be explained by the restricting nature of the relatively severe Manitoba cold. However, the statistics for the mid-summer slump are not enough to say for sure if this is a real effect.

30
20
10
J F M A M J J A S O N D

TABLE 8 - MONTH-BY-MONTH BREAKDOWN FOR ALL REPORTS

TABLE 9

NUMBER OF REPORTS PER CONCLUSION

Balloon	2
Aircraft	5
Astronomical	6
Satellite	1
Birds	1
Probable meteor	13
Probable astronomical	8
Possible balloon	1
Possible aircraft	20
Possible astronomical	2
Possible satellite	6
Witness' error	1
Hoax	1
Unknown	81
Insufficient information	124

The distribution of reports according to conclusion is given in table 9. 81 reports (nearly 30%) were classified as unknowns, a rather large percentage. 124 reports (45.5%) could not be evaluated due to insufficient information. 15 reports were given a positive identification, while 50 reports were given a "probable" or "possible" identification. There was one proven hoax and one witness-admitted error. For interpretation of the large number of reports in the "insufficient info" category, one must consider the methods by which data were obtained for the case files. Since UFOROM has been in existence for only the past five years, cases earlier than that point would generally have had to have been obtained by gleaning sources in print, including newspapers. Obviously, a newspaper account would not give all the useful information on the case involved. Where and when possible, however, such cases are being followed up and reinvestigated in order to obtain this necessary information. Another source for many cases was a printout of Manitoba reports from Saunders' UFOCAT. Again, since it gives limited information, evaluations based on the data were usually not viable.

The number of witnesses of an incident is shown to be inversely proportional to the number of cases cited (table 10). Out of 261 reports where the number of witnesses was stated, 47.5% had one witness. This indicates that more than half the reports had more than one witness, an interesting observation which suggests that the UFO experience was not a single person's fantasy. This could in some ways attest to the reality of the experience.

About 54% of the reports on file specify a color of the object(s) seen. Of these, 23.8% cited red as the predominant color, but the most frequently reported color of UFO was white (25.8%). Table 11 gives the color breakdown. 56.25% of all reports specified a shape of the objects involved. Of these, 26% referred to the UFO as a point source of

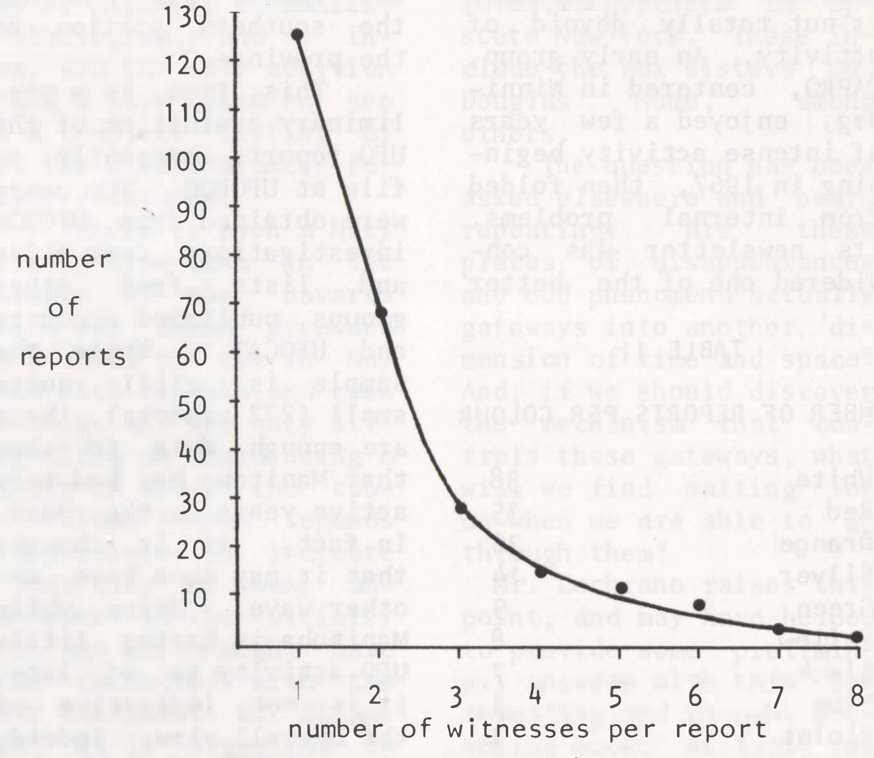


TABLE 10 - NUMBER OF REPORTS/NUMBER OF WITNESSES PER REPORT

light, or "starlike". "Disc-shaped" was the description in 18% of the reports, with "round" or "ball-shaped" following close behind with 17%. The full breakdown is given in table 12. The shapes may be grouped into several categories, the largest of which contains "disc", "round", "cigar", "oval", "football", ets., where each is taken to be a disc seen at various angles. If viewed in this manner, as has been discussed by some individuals, we find that over half (53%) of the reports fall into this grouping.

One further count was done, concerning the witnesses' estimate of the size of the object(s) seen. However, such little data was found, the results were inconclusive.

While there has been relatively little in the way of published material dealing with Manitoba ufology and UFO incidents, there is indeed enough to indicate that the province is not totally devoid of activity. An early group, CAPRO, centered in Winnipeg, enjoyed a few years of intense activity beginning in 1967, then folded from internal problems. Its newsletter was considered one of the better Canadian ufozines. Another Winnipeg-based group, CAPIC, also flourished through this period and published a newsletter. Presently, MCUFOS, UFOROM, CCUFOS and ICMARS exist in Manitoba. MCUFOS appears now to be more of an information centre, and rarely investigates cases. The International Club Members of the Aerial Research Society (ICMARS) is, as its name implies, a club, and holds meetings at which its varied membership discusses ESP, science fiction, the occult and UFOs. Some of its members actively investigate UFO reports. UFOROM and the Correlation Centre for UFO Studies (CCUFOS) work closely together, and investigate and pursue UFO sightings in the province. A few other interested individuals are scattered throughout the province. Because much of Manitoba is sparsely populated and settled, it is difficult to say what activity actually exists for all but the southern portion of the province.

This, then, is a preliminary evaluation of the UFO reports presently on file at UFOROM. The cases were obtained from UFOROM investigations, case files and lists from other groups, published accounts and UFOCAT. While the sample is still quite small (272 reports), there are enough data to show that Manitoba has had very active years in the past. In fact, it is thought that it may soon have another wave. Hence, while Manitoba is having little UFO activity as of late, it is not indicative of the overall view. Indeed, since 1947, Manitoba has had an average of 8.5 reports per year, and an average of 2.5 unknowns per year.

The unknowns, of course, are a subjective grouping, based on evaluations by researchers. Actually, all reports could be classed as having insufficient data instead, since it can be argued that more data can always be needed. However, how much data do we need to make an identification of "aircraft" or "balloon"? Relatively little. But the unknowns have puzzling facts and curious inconsistencies. Is this a correct label? Unfortunately, to judge on that, we have insufficient information.

As more Manitoba cases are located, and field trips are taken to dig up more data, a better picture of the UFO activity in the province will emerge. Further comparisons and analyses will provide clues to the answers of questions raised in this study and others like it. Until that time, we observe. ●

TABLE 11

NUMBER OF REPORTS PER COLOUR

White	38
Red	35
Orange	26
Silver	14
Green	9
Yellow	8
Black	7
Blue	3
Violet	3
Gold	3
Brown	3

TABLE 12

NUMBER OF REPORTS PER SHAPE

Starlike (point source)	40
Disc	28
Sphere	26
Cigar	14
Oval	11
Cone	8
Bowl	4
Crescent	4
Flask	3
Triangle	3
Football	3
Irregular	3
Square	2
Bell	2
Spindle	1
Cross	1
Unspecified	119

(See also Fig. 1, page 15).

Book Review

W. Ritchie Benedict

GATEWAY TO OBLIVION, *by Hugh Cochrane, Doubleday 1980.* *Hardcover $11.95.* *ISBN 0-385-15376-7. 183pp. Illustrated. Bibliography. Index.*

Everyone, by this time, has heard of the infamous Bermuda Triangle. But how many people know that another exists inside North America around Lake Ontario? Apparently it does, and it is even more deadly in its effects. In this new book by freelance writer Hugh Cochrane, a considerable amount of documentation is provided on some of the weird situations that exist in this area. It is true that several years ago, there was an earlier book published by American writer Jay Gourley entitled *The Great Lakes Triangle*. However, Mr. Gourley dealt primarily with phenomena on the U. S. side of the border. Mr. Cochrane, to his credit, attacks the problem from the Canadian side, and thereby provides some very interesting insights, including a new slant on the cattle mutilation question which I have not come across before anywhere, yet is perfectly plausible.

It appears that the Marysburgh Vortex at the eastern end of Lake Ontario has had a long history of ship and plane disappearances, UFO sightings and psychic effects far beyond normal probability. Mr. Cochrane has uncovered a 1915 UFO sighting that occurred in the skies above Brockville, Ontario and Morrisville, New York which has not to the best of my knowledge ever appeared elsewhere. He makes a strong case that the erratic electromagnetism in the area may be responsible for a number of unexplained and devastating fires in this century and earlier.

In many ways, I found this book equal or superior to the Charles Berlitz books on the Bermuda Triangle. To be sure, there is bound to be some overlap of material with regards to other books on similar topics, but in this case, there is comparatively little. Presented instead is much new material. Cochrane includes a photo section, a map of magnetic anomalies, a bibliography and an index, and the only addition I would have liked to see is a complete listing of all the disappearances for ready reference.

There is even a Mary Celeste-type case in the example of the Bavaria which was found grounded on a shoal one day in May 1889 with captain and crew missing, and the only living thing on board being a canary in one of the cabins. Some Indian legends are presented to indicate a lost city of some advancement in the vicinity eons ago which might have been connected with the lost continent of Atlantis. It is suggested in the book that divers may have some very interesting experiences if they concentrate their attentions in the right directions.

The book is not a lengthy one, but it will add considerably to the growing amount of documentation that there are some peculiarities worth examining in the Great Lakes region. If we can correlate this data by means of computers along with the British research on ley lines and electromagnetic disruptions, we may well find we are sitting on the greatest discovery of the 20th century.

One interesting thing too, is the implied connection of these vortical forces with the unusual prevalence of famous and talented psychics in upstate New York. These include the Fox sisters and Douglas Home, among others.

The question has been asked elsewhere and bears repeating: Are these places of disappearances and odd phenomena actually gateways into another dimension of time and space? And, if we should discover the mechanism that controls these gateways, what will we find waiting for us when we are able to go through them?

Mr. Cochrane raises this point, and may have helped to provide some preliminary answers with this interesting and thought provoking book. At last, we are getting some Canadiana in terms of Forteana. ●

You and Me

By BRINSLEY Le POER TRENCH
(Earl of Clancarty)

Brinsley Le Poer Trench has been around the UFO scene for quite some time. He has been researching the subject since the end of World War II, and was a former editor of Britain's well respected journal, FLYING SAUCER REVIEW, now edited by Charles Bowen. Trench is now a member of the British House of Lords, taking his seat in 1976 after succeeding to his title, Lord Clancarty, in 1975. He is the author of seven well known books on UFOs and on January 18, 1979 he introduced a debate on the subject in the House of Lords. His articles relate some of his experiences in the UFO field and promote lively discussion and speculation.



Earl of Clancarty

It might be of some interest to you, the readers, if I mention that recently an invitation came to address the Metropolitan Police at New Scotland Yard here in London about you know what - the UFOs!

Well, I accepted the invitation and gave them a talk, bravely touching on the sensitive aspect of cover-ups. There was quite a big audience and after I had finished my talk there were questions from those present. Yes, but with a difference. Normally, at the end of someone's talk, the question period lasts about a quarter of an hour, but on this occasion people kept putting their hands up to ask questions, and this went on for a whole hour!

Three days later the London *Sunday Express* printed on its front page a story about five policemen seeing a huge UFO at Dumfries in Scotland. Strange, just after my talk to the Police in London! Actually the Scottish sighting was seen by many members of the general public, some of whom telephoned the police, resulting in the five policemen being sent to the locality where they, too, saw the enormous UFO. The Police must have been very impressed by what they saw in the sky because they took the unusual step of calling a press conference afterwards!

There have been quite a few stories about how the late President Eisenhower back in the early part of 1954 accompanied by some of his staff, implemented by scientists and technicians, met aliens from outer space at Edwards Air Force Base, California. Actually, it was reported that five flying saucers flew in to the base, apparently by a previously arranged appointment. How this was made I do not know.

All the five spacecraft that flew in to the base were of different shapes and sizes. I am sure that this meeting did take place as an American friend of mine in high government circles and in whom I have complete confidence told me that he knows someone who was present. For obvious reasons the name cannot be given.

The late Harold T. Wilkens in his book *Flying Saucers Uncensored* (Pyramid Books, New York, 1967), mentions this fantastic meeting, and states that he was assured from a reliable source that the five saucers landed *voluntarily* at Edwards Air Force Base.

Wilkens wrote: "They were discs of different types and their entities invited the technicians and scientists to inspect their aeroforms and witness a demonstration of their powers." (p. 51.)

Apparently, the entities demonstrated to their flabbergasted audience that they could dematerialize and materialize themselves. In short, make themselves invisible and visible again. The aliens also demonstrated other abilities, far beyond ours to the President and his boys.

After the aliens finished, it was felt by the Americans that there might well be panic among the public if open contact were made at that stage.

As a result, I understand with the agreement of the aliens, it was decided not to have open contact with them for some years. It was almost immediately after this meeting that the CIA were called in and the cover-up started in the U.S.A.

I think though it was also agreed with the aliens that a long term education programme about them should run parallel to the cover-up. Now I will give you some examples of what has been happening throughout the education programme about the aliens.

Some of you may have read a remarkable book by Maurice Chatelain called *Our Ancestors Came From Outer Space*. The author is French born, but is now a United States citizen, living with his family in California. He worked for several American aircraft companies. Then he became a NASA expert, and indeed, a designer of the Apollo Mission spacecraft that landed on the moon. (He helped to design and build the Appolo communications and data processing system. Ed.)

In his book he states that civilizations have been coming here for some 65,000 years, and goes in to a great deal of detail to put that over.

You will, no doubt recall that NASA have always been very cagey about admitting that American astronauts when up in space have seen alien spacecraft. Well, Chatelain, a NASA expert, in his book lists a large number of U. S. astronauts that have seen alien craft in space, and also, tells us exactly what they saw.

Now here is something else. Some of you may recall that one Christmas Day, some years back, a United States spacecraft went round the back of the moon, and as it appeared in front again, the astronauts sent back to Houston a strange message in code to the effect that SANTA CLAUS DOES EXIST.

Well, Chatelain again spills the beans in his book, and tells us that coded message meant that there are aliens and their spacecraft on the moon!

Now you would think that a NASA expert like Chatelain would have had to sign the American equivalent of the British Official Secrets Act. However, all this looks to me like an inspired leak, supporting what I mentioned earlier about a gradual education programme being given to the public.

I have met a few times a chap called Sir John Whitmore. He happens to be a friend of Steven Spielberg who produced the film *Close Encounters of the Third Kind*. Sir John told me that Spielberg, who had previously produced a successful film called *Jaws*, was inspired by extraterrestrials to make *Close Encounters of the Third Kind*.

Now, in support of this point, Sir John told me something that I subsequently came across in an Australian magazine.

During the production of the film the Vice-President of Columbia Pictures drove up to the set to find Spielberg and members of the cast looking up at the sky. There was an alien spacecraft hovering up there.

On another occasion a replica of a cloud-like craft specially made for the film was seen hovering above the set.

Naturally, this information was not released to anyone until the film had been shown for many, many months, otherwise it would have been regarded as phoney promotion.

As you know, this film *Close Encounters of the Third Kind* was a tremendous success, and contributed greatly to the increasing interest in the alien spacecraft by the general public in the many countries in which it has been shown. I think that it has played a big part in the education program.

I hope that cover-ups can soon be lifted and open contact made with our friends from outer space. You see, our planet Earth seems to be in an unholy mess, what with pollution from nuclear experiments, oil and other sources. Furthermore, something to the order of forty countries have now got nuclear weapons, neutron bombs, or reactors, and we are in grave danger of a nuclear holocaust.

So, please come in friends from 'Out There', and show us your way of life before it is too late! ●

CANADIAN UFO REPORT NOTEBOOK

John Magor

John Magor was the editor of Canadian UFO Report *for eleven years before that publication incorporated with* Journal UFO *in November 1979. After graduating from the Columbia University School of Journalism in New York in 1937, John became editor for* Cavalcade *magazine in London, England, and then became parliamentary correspondent at Ottawa for* British United Press. *During World War II he was an RCAF pilot and afterwards became public relations officer for the Canadian Pacific Railway. His publishing career then resumed with the* Prince Rupert (B.C.) Daily News *and the* Cowichan Leader *at Duncan, B.C. His long interest in the mysteries of space led him to study UFOs and to eventually publish* Canadian UFO Report. *He is also author of a fascinating book* Our UFO Visitors, *and is currently working on a second book.*

Although the objects and creatures involved are tiny, there is nothing small about the questions posed by mini-saucers and their occupants which are steadily becoming more noticeable on the UFO scene. What part do these wee folk and their little machines have in the total mystery? How do they master great journeys through space, if space is where they come from? How do their worlds differ from those of ufonauts of more standard size (say four feet and over)?

Those questions, of course, are just as unanswerable as anything else in the UFO riddle but they help to emphasize that here is a mystery within a mystery, a point which is brought to mind by correspondence with ufologist Ahmad Jamaludin in Malaysia. While showing a welcome interest in obtaining back copies of CUFOR, Jamaludin kindly sends us a note now and then on sightings in his country which seems to be favored by micronauts. His latest was in July when he wrote:

"The last previously reported UFO sighting in Malaysia was in May, 1979. After a long lull of over a year the phenomenon manifested again in June, 1980. This is the first case for the year and it occurred at the small coastal town of Lumut in West Malaysia.

"At noon on June 18 a group of schoolboys and some of the local adults sighted a few 6-inch tall creatures near some bushes not far from a school. The creatures when first sighted appeared to be looking for something on the ground. They were said to be human-like and wearing a one-piece white suit. On their backs there appeared to be some sort of device which may be an aid to help them fly about.

"Unfortunately my informant did not explain whether the creatures were actually seen to be flying about. Anyhow, one of the witnesses approached closer in an attempt to catch the entities but unfortunately they managed to escape in the bushes. No UFO was sighted but one could have been hidden by the bushes, which were tall.

"The last UFO report in this area was in 1965 when a UFO flew silently overhead and caused some excitement in a small fishing village where it was thought to be a craft belonging to some neighboring country."

Other reports by Ahmad Jamaludin concerning mini-saucers in Malaysia have appeared from time to time in the *MUFON UFO JOURNAL*, published at Seguin, Texas, for which he is a correspondent. One of particular interest was clipped for us by our helpful contributor, Graham Conway, from the issue of February, 1980. Translated from an item in *Bintang Timur* of last May 30, it described how an object "smaller than a tray" was seen by two adults and three schoolboys flying close to the ground near a cattle shed.

One of the boys, Vijaya Kumaran, 14, said:

"While we were playing we saw an unidentified object moving slowly about 1½ feet from the ground. The object emitted rays in various colors which shone into the eyes, had three landing gears but all three legs of the object did not touch the ground."

The item continued:

"According to him, he approached the object and tried to touch it but suddenly a beam of intense light shot out from the outer rim of the object and hit his eyes and as a result he felt his vision darkened. Both his friends also tried to touch the object but the object released the identical beam which hit the eyes of both.

"According to Vijaya Kumaran, immediately after that they cried for help and it happened at that time A. Muniandy and Raja Kumar were nearby and rushed to the scene. After listening to the story from the students, Raja Kumar went to the mentioned site about 50 feet from the cattle shed and he managed to see the object. According to Raja Kumar when he approached he saw an object a little smaller than a tray moving slowly into the jungle nearby.

"'I was afraid to follow the object after hearing the story from the students,' he said."

Also in recent mail my vigilant friend Conway sent a clipping from the May, 1980, issue of England's *BUFORA Journal* reporting a sighting over London that made a remarkable "matching case" of the kind featured for years in CUFOR. Seen in November, 1979, by four witnesses in the Peckham district, the object in this instance was described as "something like a pancake," which must have meant it was very similar to the craft "smaller than a tray" seen in Malaysia. Also like the Malaysian craft it gave out various colors and travelled at a leisurely pace.

To quote the *BUFORA Journal*:

"Each side of the object seemed to have yellow, green and red lights: it moved very slowly and soundlessly, 'bouncing up and down,' and was in view for about three minutes. Mr. Egan (the first witness) estimated it to be only about 100 feet up and of a small size, giving a possible diameter of as little as 15 inches. Its speed was thought to be as slow as 5 mph."

In the same issue of the *Journal* there is reference to another type of mini-UFO seen in Finland in March of that same year, 1979. Describing the experience of one witness, Jarmo Nykanen, after strange marks were found in the snow around a house near Helsinki, the account says in part:

"Suddenly he saw a flash of light in the forest and thought someone was watching him. Soon after midnight a bell-shaped mini-UFO appeared near the house. This had a diameter of half a meter: the upper part radiated blue light and the lower part radiated red light...

"Jarmo walked closer to the UFO and flashed his torch towards it. The UFO ascended to an altitude of three meters, making the whole snow-covered area look red and then disappeared skywards."

Having discussed mini-UFOs in my two previous entries for CUFOR Notebook, I may be overdoing the subject somewhat, regardless of what its importance seems to be. However, looking back, I see I have included nothing from the U.S. which has had a good share of such sightings. So, to keep the record straight, here is a carefully observed case from Omaha, Nebraska, as reported in part in the *Morning World Herald*, Aug. 22, 1979:

"Bartels, 17, said he and his cousin, Tiller, 23, were driving farm trucks loaded with corn from Tiller's farm when they both saw a saucer-shaped object about 3½ feet in diameter wobble across the highway west to east in front of their trucks. The object was about 30 feet in the air and was moving about 5 to 10 mph when Tiller's truck passed by it. Bartels, who was following in another truck, said the object had crossed the highway and was over the roadside ditch when he saw it.

"Bartels said the object resembled two saucer-type snow sleds attached at their rims and ringed with what looked like dozens of blue light bulbs. The flying saucer had a blue top and shiny silver bottom.

"'It was the perfect storybook saucer but it didn't appear to have any doors,' Tiller said. 'It was unbelievable and it wasn't a toy. We couldn't figure how it was moving.'"

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As any UFO field-worker knows, the best reports are sometimes received when least expected. This happened to me recently when my wife and I stopped for tea at a new restaurant in the small town of Crofton, site of a pulp and paper mill on Vancouver Island. In talking with the proprietress, Mrs. Nydahl, we discovered she was interested in the UFO topic and, more particularly, had a daughter, Lisa aged 16, who was one of three witnesses in a close encounter case a few months earlier. Naturally I arranged to meet Lisa and later that week sat with her in the restaurant to hear about her experience.

It happened one cold clear Sunday night in January when she and her friend Heather Malvena, also 16, were being driven home from a hockey game by Heather's mother. As the three approached Crofton they saw the weekly community bingo game was breaking up and they also saw above the departing cars, most of which were headed the other way, an illuminated boomerang-shaped craft unlike any with which they were familiar. They decided to park the car and get out for a better look.

"It was so low we could see it fairly well by the lights of the town, and it had lights of its own," Lisa said. "It was shiny blue and wide, but there was no tail. There were three yellow lights in the front, a large one in the centre and two small ones beside it, and the section behind the lights seemed to curve upward."

Lisa sketched out something that looked like a flying wing, perhaps 60 feet from tip to tip and 15 feet long through the middle, but obviously this was not a craft of earthly design. Although she guessed it was no more than three telephone poles in height, it flew about noiselessly, crossing the town three times and at one point shooting up and down at great speed.

Finally, as recalled by Lisa and later by Mrs. Malvena as a confirming witness when I spoke to her on the phone, the craft did something that in my opinion clinched its title of UFO. It flew over to the pulp and paper mill on the edge of Crofton where it hovered before disappearing across the water toward Salt Spring Island, five miles away.

After talking with Lisa I drove out to the mill and saw what I thought I might see. In its arsenal of surrounding equipment there was a large power transformer connecting the plant to the high tension cables of the provincial hydro system. So no more guesswork was needed. There was the reason that the flying boomerang came to visit!

A footnote to this is that as soon as she returned home, Lisa reported the sighting by phone to the local police. They did not seem to take it seriously. "We'll go out and have a look," was the reply, with no word about checking with Salt Spring or other island points in that direction for a craft that by then was well on its way.

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Like Lisa's verbal description and that of Mrs. Malvena, letters from readers recounting a sighting or some other UFO experience of their own are always welcome. They keep us aware that unexpectedly any one of us can have a part in this mystery, and it remains no less a mystery even if the object in question is somewhat remote.

I have such a letter from Tas Richardson of Linden, Alberta. After reading my book *Our UFO Visitors*, he wrote a few kind words of appreciation and added some interesting information of his own, saying in part:

"I have seen several strange objects in the sky, though nothing very spectacular. In the late forties and early fifties I was living with my parents on Vancouver Island at Saltair. One evening I was out in the back yard with my father who was looking at the stars with some German long-range finders that he had brought back from overseas after the war. He had picked them up at a V-1 rocket site and they are 12 x 60 power. I noticed a bright light moving very rapidly in the south. It was moving in a very jerky manner - "like a stone skipping on water" - as I've since read in some reports. I pointed it out to my father who trained the glasses on it. He was only able to keep it in view for a few seconds as it passed behind some tall trees, but said it was disc-shaped. It made no sound.

"About a year later (probably 1949 or 50) I was standing on a cliff above the beach at Saltair with a chum. We were looking out across the water when we both noticed an object in the sky moving at very great speed. It was moving from south to north and seemed to be above the islands that are several miles away. We couldn't make out any shape but then noticed a plane coming from the north at a much slower speed but on a course and height that would bring the two together. But then the object from the south seemingly saw the plane and without any reduction in speed executed a split second turn and returned the way it had come. No human could withstand the G forces a turn like that would take.

"In the summer of 1973 my wife and I with her young cousin were driving in a pick-up just west of Linden when we all noticed a very bright silvery object moving slowly above us. It made no sound, and when it began to move slowly away to the east we piled back into the truck and rushed home (a quarter of a mile) to pick up those same long-range finders (which I now have as my parents have passed on). Sad to say, though we drove around for an hour, we couldn't find the object again." ●

SUMERIANS:
People Of Mystery

by RONALD ANDERSEN

Zecharia Sitchin, in his book The 12th Planet *(Avon 1976), speculates that modern man's beginnings on the Earth were the result of interbreeding between prehistoric women and astronauts from another planet. He found evidence to support his ideas from the history of the ancient Sumerians. In this article Ronald Andersen explores this interesting era from our past, and raises some thought-provoking questions.*

In the last fifty years archeologists have proven that the Mesopotamian Valley was hit by a great (probably local) flood in approximately 5000 BC and that the flooded area was one hundred miles wide and four hundred miles long.

It is after this flood that the Sumerians appear in Mesopotamia. Prior to this time archeologists have found only primitive settlements in Mesopotamia. Upon the arrival of the Sumerians new communities began to appear. They quickly produced irrigation works, canals, dikes, and reservoirs, which required excavation, repair, and cleaning at regular intervals by large work forces.

All during the early stages of Sumerian civilization the priests supervised and managed all phases of life. The priests' authority and power over the people came from their ability to communicate with the gods. McNeill gives us some further insight into the Sumerian theology:

"Each Sumerian temple was believed in a quite literal sense to be the house of a particular god. Priests and other attendants constituted the god's personal household. Their primary task was to minister to their divine master's wants through ceremonies and sacrifices. A second duty was to act as his mediator between the god and his human slaves: to discover the god's will, propitiate his anger or determine the divinely approved time for any important human undertaking."(1)

Scholars believe that the Sumerians brought their writing, technology and social system with them to Mesopotamia. Their art and scientific knowledge reached a surprisingly mature form within the first few centuries of their settlement here, which indicates that they must have been previously influenced by superior beings, or come from a highly cultured civilization.

As we consider some of the accomplishments of the Sumerians, we see evidence of extraterrestrial influences. The Sumerians developed astronomy to a very high degree. They estimated the rotation of the moon within .4 seconds of current estimates and recorded the existence of Uranus, which cannot be seen with the naked eye.

They developed the Zodiac, dividing the pathway of the sun into twelve figures distinguishable by their brilliance along the celestial horizon. Sumerian astronomers also talked of the myriad of inhabited heavenly spheres. All these facts indicated a knowledge of space that could not be developed without powerful telescopes or space travel.

The Sumerians' most important invention was the development of writing. Originally they used pictographs on cylinder seals of high artistic quality to denote ownership of sealed jars. This later develops into cuneiform writing used for catalogs, commands, decrees, astronomical and mathematical texts, prayers, hymns and poems.

By 2500 BC business contracts and deeds of sale for houses, fields, and slaves are written on clay tablets leading to a logical system of written law.

As early as 4000 BC they had established schools for teaching scribes. The Sumerians also developed the oldest known mathematics; they divided the circle into 360 degrees, the hour into 60 minutes, and developed formulae for the extraction of square and cube roots.

The Sumerians developed a standardized size and shape for kiln-baked and sun-dried bricks. With the use of asphalt as mortar, they built two-storey houses which were whitewashed inside and out. Their cities contained 50,000 and more citizens, with great public buildings, landscaped parks, and streets laid out in grid patterns. Their greatest architectural work, the ziggurat or temple tower, was built in multi-leveled terraces higher than any other building in each city.

On the highest terrace was a temple, called a bridal chamber, where the King or Queen awaited the arrival of gods or goddesses. Tradition states that the ziggurats were built to make it easier for the gods to come down to Earth. The temples were also called the "House of Bond between Heaven and Earth," and were referred to as reaching the clouds.

Since the ziggurats were built with a large flat terrace at the top, it is possible that they could have been landing platforms for smaller scout UFOs.

The clouds suggest that the UFOs protected themselves by producing a mist or cloud as camouflage when they landed. Sumerian construction took advantage of the arched doorway and arched drains used to run off rain water from all buildings.

The Sumerians invented the wheel, using it for the first wheeled vehicles and wheel turned pottery. Metallurgy develops to a high degree; however, bronze-making is later lost for almost 800 years. Archeologists have unearthed the vaults of Kings which were found to contain gold drinking cups, jugs, vases, mosaics, fine jewelry, silver helmets, harps, lyres, and combs. The Sumerians also developed knowledge of the therapeutic uses of

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The earliest known flood legend was written in Sumer. It is the story of Gilgamesh, fifth King of the First Dynasty of Uruk and 28th Sumerian ruler after the flood.

The tale revolves around his life and his search for immortality. Tradition states that Gilgamesh was two-thirds god and one-third man. He was strong, handsome, but also oppressive to his people. His greatest achievement was the building of a large wall to protect the city of Uruk and remnants of it have been discovered by archeologists.

Gilgamesh enforced his rights to take to bed each maiden the night before her marriage. This right, which was carried down to the European feudal period, outraged his people.

The interesting part of this epic, refers to Gilgamesh's psychic abilities. He is haunted by dreams of danger and the approach of a rival. They fight to a stand off, become great friends, and travel around the country eliminating evil from the land.

Gilgamesh dreams about his coming death, which is described as follows '...he transforms me, that mine arms are covered with feathers like a bird. He looks at me and leads me to the house of darkness, to the dwelling of Irkalla; to the house from which he who enters never goes forth."

Instead, his friend is killed by the gods and Gilgamesh then begins his search for everlasting life.

At the beginning of this journey Gilgamesh goes alone at night into the desert. The description gives the impression that Gilgamesh astral travelled or had an out-of-body experience. While in the astral form Gilgamesh meets his ancestor Utnopeshtin, who survived the flood and was granted eternal life by the gods. It is through Utnopeshtin that the flood legend is told. The following description from this legend tells us how Gilgamesh was able to journey beyond the bounds of human habitation, and is similar to current out-of-body experiences. "I raised my face towards the moon-god and I prayed: my supplication ascended even to the father of the gods and he extended over me his protection. A vision from on high revealed to him the road he was to take - he reached the entrance of a dark passage leading into the mountain of Mashu, whose gate is guarded day and night by supernatural beings."(2)

Psychic ability was not uncommon in ancient Sumer. In fact it was probably the most common method used by the gods to communicate with the priests and Kings. Other forms of psychic powers used by the Sumerians are described by Gaston Naspers in his book *The Dawn of Civilization:*

"The god revealed himself in dreams to his seers and imparted to them the course of coming events, or, in some cases, inspired them suddenly and spoke by their mouth: their utterances, taken down and commented on by their assistants, were regarded as infallible oracles. The number of mortal men possessing adequate powers, and gifted with sufficient acute senses to bear without danger the near presence of a god, was necessarily limited."(3)

This indicated that a small number of humans possessed the psychic ability to communicate with the gods.

Who were the Sumerians and where did they come from? These two questions have puzzled archeologists and scholars for the last hundred years.

Prior to approximately 5000 B.C. archeologists have found no artifacts of Sumerian origin in Mesopotamia. It indicates that the First Dynasty of Kish could have been located somewhere else. Archeologists and scholars have theorized that the Sumerians came from the eastern highlands, because they built towers, which represented mountains on which their gods visited.

To support this theory, they use the fact that early Sumerian architecture was based on the principle of building with wood, which would have been abundant in the highlands.

Another interesting relationship that could support this highland theory is the nickname by which the Lamas called the Tibetan people and the ancient Egyptians called the Sumerians: "Black Heads." The only explanation for this is that both the ancient Egyptians and Tibetan Lamas shave themselves and the Sumerians and Tibetan people do not.

One reason, except for sanitary reasons why the Lamas and ancient Egyptians shaved could be that they were trying to imitate their ancient Gods who were hairless. In most of the UFO contact cases the ufonauts have been described as hairless. Additionally, the legendary civilization of MU is believed to have been located in the Gobi Desert. The Sumerian word for spacecraft is MU. Could it also indicate where the craft was from? The above are a few theories and ideas which help support the highland theory.

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Another group of scholars believe that the Sumerians arrived by way of the eastern sea. This theory is based on the fact that the Sumerians had a good knowledge of sailing and traces of their culture have been found in the Indus Valley.

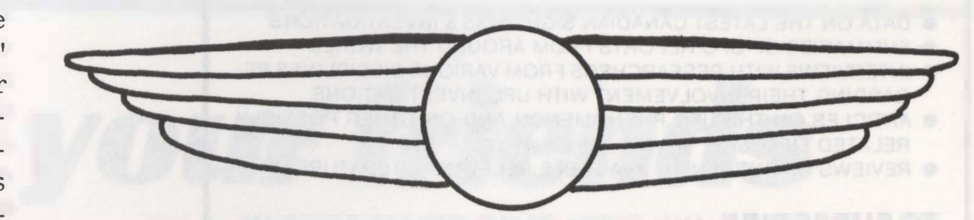
The Sumerians also believed that their Gods came from the eastern seas. Additional proof to support this theory comes from the description of these people. They have been described as short, broad-headed, heavy, big-nosed and with black hair.

This sounds very much like the Polynesian people who have not been classified as a single race but do not fall easily into the other five races of man. Tradition states that at one time the ancient continent of Lemuria was located in the Pacific Ocean.

The Sumerian language has resisted all attempts to relate it to any known living or dead language. Therefore, the language has been no help in tracing the origin of the Sumerian civilization.

Sumerian legends date the deluge at the end of the Dynasty of God Kings which was approximately 9696 BC. This date correlates with the approximate date mentioned in the early part of this century by the famous American psychic Edgar Cayce.

Cayce gave this as the date for the second upheaval to befall Atlantis and which caused the break-up of the Atlantic continent into numerous large islands and the mi-



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gration of Atlantians to Europe and Africa.

He also mentions but does not date one upheaval which was caused by a shifting of the poles. Geologists have recently proven that the magnetism of the poles completely reversed around that time.

A flood date of 9696 BC correlates very closely to dates given for the catastrophic disappearance of Atlantis at approximately 9600 BC. This date was 'seen' by Edgar Cayce as well as being very close to the date mentioned by Plato, who wrote what the Greek historian Solon was told by the priests of Egypt.

They said, "Atlantis perished 9000 years before Solon's visit or 9560 BC." Scientific investigations during the late 60s and early 70s, of sediment cores from the Gulf of Mexico, indicated a dramatic decrease in salinity about 9600 BC from which they theorized that the North American ice cap must have melted between 10,000 BC and 8000 BC, with its peak effect at 9600 BC. This tremendous increase in water would have caused great tidal waves to hit the coastal regions around the Atlantic Ocean.

Dr. Immanuel Velikovsky in his book *Earth In Upheaval* describes evidence of tidal waves which mixed tropical and arctic animals into the same grave in both England and America. He does not give an exact date for this but uses it to support his theory of a near cosmic collision around 1500 BC.

With the evidence discovered to date, it appears that this tidal wave effect correlates better with the destruction of Atlantis than with Velikovsky's later date. In addition to dating the melting of the North American ice cap, scientists have also discovered that at approximately 9000 BC there was a period of extraordinary volcanic activity which is also associated with the destruction of Atlantis.

If we theorize that the Sumerians were survivors of Atlantis, it would easily explain why they were technologically advanced, as legends state that Atlantis may have been more advanced than we are today.

We can, therefore, see that the legends and myths of the Sumerians give us new insight into the creation of man. It helps describe why their social structure developed the way it did and leads us to possible alternatives to their origin. As yet we cannot prove which theory on the origin of the Sumerians is true, but it does lead us in certain directions which have been overlooked by scholars for so long. ●

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STANTON T. FRIEDMAN Now A Canadian Resident

The well-known U.S. nuclear physicist and full-time UFO researcher recently moved to Fredericton, New Brunswick where he intends to continue his research. On behalf of all Canadians involved in Ufology I take this opportunity to welcome him to our country. His expertise in our field will be a positive influence on Canadian research.

He has already made his presence felt in taking Carl Sagan to task over his misleading COSMOS presentation on the Barney and Betty Hill case and the subsequent development of the Hill star map issue as documented in THE ZETA RETICULI INCIDENT by Terence Dickinson. Friedman has formally complained to KCET, the TV station in California involved in the production of the COSMOS series, and has requested equal time to refute some of Sagan's statements, going so far as to suggest a debate between Sagan and himself.

Friedman would like to encourage anyone who saw the program in question, and who is familiar with the details of the case to write a letter of protest to Mr. William Lamb, Sr. V.P., of KCET at 4401 Sunset Blvd., Los Angeles, CA., 90027, USA.

Friedman will be debating with Phil Klass at Trinity University, San Antonio, Texas at 7:30 PM, Sunday, Feb. 22, 1981 on the UFO subject. The debate was arranged by Dr. Michael Hart, Trinity Astronomer. Should be a fiery evening! Ed. ●

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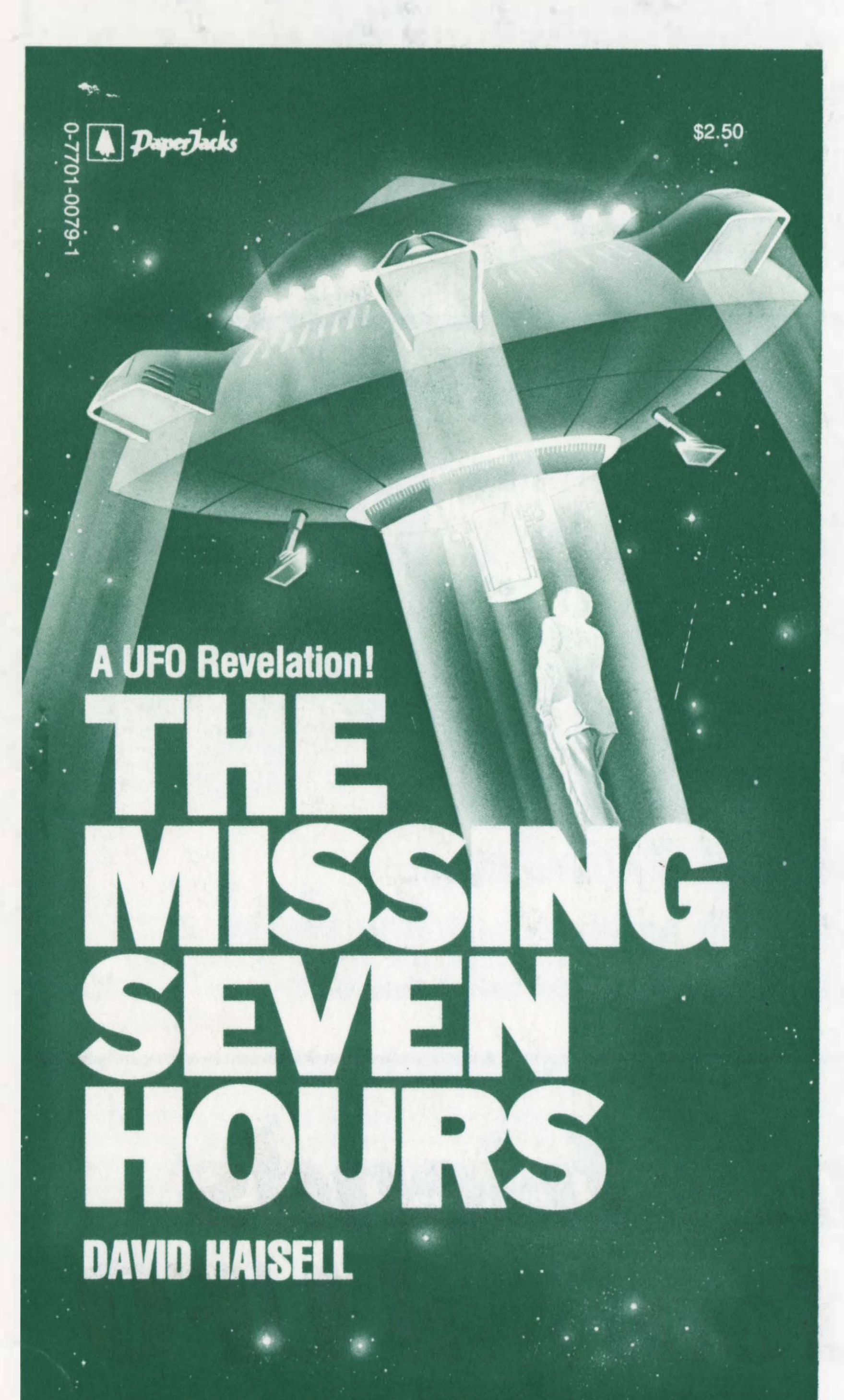
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